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1. The Rumanian Government has arranged with western Germany to exchange the fol-  
lowing goods valued at an estimated total of 2,500,000 dollars.

Goods to be Delivered by Rumania to Western Germany

Sunflower oil  
1,500 tons of fresh apples  
400 tons of fowl  
\$200,000 worth of sausage casing  
300 tons of walnuts  
10,000 tons of corn and other types of fodder  
3,000 tons of fresh pork and beef  
Large quantities of cellulose

Goods to be Delivered to Rumania by Western Germany

8,209 tons of boiler sheeting  
1,030 tons of narrow-gauge railroad tracking  
50 tons of hops

2. The Rumanian Government has allegedly agreed to make the first delivery of  
goods as a credit advance to Germany and plans to ship the goods initially  
to Austria, ostensibly as Austrian imports. Western Germany has agreed to  
establish dollar credits for the Rumanian Government in Vienna as soon as the  
first delivery arrives in Austria. These dollar credits are to be an amount  
sufficient to cover payment in dollars of Austrian import duties and trans-  
portation expenses incurred by Rumania on both the initial and the second  
shipment of goods delivered to Austria for western Germany. When the Austrian  
Government has cleared these Rumanian shipments they will be exported to

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western Germany as "goods of Austrian origin" in accordance with provisions of Austria's commercial agreement with Western Germany.

3. Western Germany has agreed to pay Rumania free dollars in Switzerland for its purchases of corn and fodder, provided that Rumania will, in turn, compensate Western Germany from this dollar account in Switzerland.

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